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PLASMON RESONANCE AND NOBLE METAL

COMPOUND USED FOR THE SAME

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REQUEST TO CORRECT TRANSMITTAL LETTER

Sir:

This communication is submitted in response to a Notification of Missing Requirements dated September 15, 2008. The Notification of Missing Requirements indicates that the inventors identified on the Declaration and Application Data Sheet are not identified on the International Application.

After receiving the Notification of Missing Requirements, the undersigned attorney for the applicants contacted Examiner Charitta Shelton to explain that the inventors identified on the Declaration and Application Data Sheet appear to be the same inventors on the International Application. During the discussion, Examiner Shelton mentioned the

International Application number that corresponded to the above-referenced U.S. Appl. No.

10/575,714. Counsel immediately noted a transposition of two digits in the International

Application. Upon further review with Examiner Shelton, it was noted that a correct

International Application number was presented on the Declaration, in the Application Data

Sheet on the Certificate of Express Mail and on the IDS. The correct International Application

number also is presented on the Notification of Missing Requirements. However, the

Transmittal Letter filed on April 12, 2006 and the Transmittal Letter filed on May 5, 2006 each

had two numbers transposed in the International Application number. The correct

International Application number is presented on the transmittal letter that is accompanies this

communication. Additionally, corrected copies of the two earlier Transmittal Letters are

attached for incorporation into the official file, if needed.

The Examiner is requested to correct the original Transmittal Letters and to

issue a filing receipt for this application. Please contact applicants attorney at the number

below if there are any other requirements for responding to the Notification of Missing

Requirements.

Respectfully submitted,

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